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1. Sections I - IV of the Designs - and Assembly Office (KMB),<sup>1</sup> East Berlin, have received orders from Poland, Hungary, Rumania and Czechoslovakia, ranging from coal min and transport devices to ventilating installations for pits and ore-mining plants. Part of the equipment ordered has been delivered. The orders are carried out according to DIN-Standards or to standards used in the individual countries. Gost-standards, (Soviet standards), however, are not in use. Poland e.g. uses Vlt-type engines stan- dards of her own rather than Gost-standards.
2. The KMB keeps only one copy containing the specifications of Gost-standards for the production of springs and for the lapping of ball races and ball guide rings. However, these standards were not in use; nor are they being used at present.
3. At the KMB, Transport Devices, Leipzig, which has received orders from the same coun- tries, work is being done according to DIN-standards and to individual standards of the countries concerned, rather than to Gost-standards.
4. The former SAC plant Bleichert, Leipzig, hitherto has carried out reparation work and export orders only according to DIN-standards. So far the Soviets have not succeeded in making the plant work with standards other than DIN-standards.

25X1 Comment. The present report confirms that it is not yet possible for Satellites to use Gost-standards in their manufacturing industries, so long as the standards of the basic industries, especially the iron and steel industry, have not completely shifted over to Gost-standards. Due to technical difficulties, however, the adoption of new standards is a comparatively slow process. According to Czech press reports it is planned to complete the change-over to Gost-standards by the end of 1957.

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